SOM Steering Committee on Economic and Technical Cooperation
2021 Work Plan

1. Proposed Work for 2021 in Response to Leaders/Ministers/SOM Decisions and SCE Priorities.

- Provide policy recommendations that are related to ECOTECH groups to SOM;
- Coordinate and supervise all ECOTECH-related Working Groups and Policy Partnerships, including reviewing and recommending any fora’s ToR revision to SOM;
- Review the operation and effectiveness of the SCE;
- Provide policy guidance on the ECOTECH agenda in the development of sub-fora strategic plans;
- Continue to implement SCE’s Decision on Standardized Fora Assessment program;
- Determine eligibility and score concept notes applying for funding under ASF sub-funds assigned to the responsibility of the SCE; and,
- Consolidate the SCE Fora Reports and prepare annual SOM Report on ECOTECH to Ministers.

2. Strengthening coordination among and across sub-fora

- Coordinate the efforts and promote cross-fora collaboration of SCE sub-fora in implementing the 2040 Putrajaya Vision;
- Promote cross-fora collaboration across APEC sub-fora, including through implementation of the 2016 Recommendations on Cross-Fora Collaboration together with the 2017 APEC Guidelines on Promoting Cross-Fora Collaboration;
- Review and consider any possible options to make the SCE and SCE COW arrangements more effective; and
- Supervise or coordinate cross-cutting issues and specific initiatives assigned to SCE.

3. Expected Outcomes/Deliverables for 2021

- Implementation of Standardized Fora Assessment Program, including convening of the Assessment Team for 2021;
- Consideration of new ways to strengthen cross fora collaboration through the SCE process;
- Approval of the SCE sub-fora’s annual work plans;
- Continue oversight of SCE projects and initiatives (list on following page);
- Review and approval of the Strategic Plans for those sub-fora with expiring strategic plans;
• Review and recommendation of the revised ToRs of certain sub-fora to SOM, including in connection with governance reforms agreed by SOM in 2017;

• Submission of the annual SOM Report on ECOTECH to Ministers at AMM 2021; and

• Review and make recommendation to SOM on those sub-fora with expiring Terms of Reference

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4. Current SCE Projects and Initiatives